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TO: Local and Intermediate School District Superintendents
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Division of Educator, Student, and School Supports

SUBJECT: Educator Evaluation Regional Liaisons

As part of the educator evaluation grants funded under section 95a of the State School Aid Act, PA 94 of 1979, each of the ten Michigan Association of Intermediate School Administrators (MAISA) regions hired an educator evaluation regional liaison to provide support to all local school districts within that region with the implementation of local educator evaluation systems.

The regional liaisons are in place to support every Michigan district and public school academies (PSA) in meeting the statutory requirements of PA 173 of 2015. They are also tasked with the important work of assisting districts in navigating the transition to growth-focused systems of educator evaluation.

All districts and PSAs are encouraged to engage with the regional liaisons as they work to cultivate expertise around evaluation tools, processes, and requirements. Regional liaisons can assist with connecting evaluators to essential training in the use of observation tools and student growth measures and offer expertise regarding compliance requirements.

The regional liaisons partner with the Michigan Department of Education, Office of Educator Talent (MDE-OET) to ensure consistency in guidance and supports statewide. The table below also provides information for districts to contact their regional liaison directly.

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